Green County Law Enforcement Committee

Meeting Minutes from June 13, 2018

Members Present:

Non-members Present:

Richard Thoman-Chairperson Dana Weber-Recording Secretary Sherri Fiduccia-Vice-Chairperson (*left 10:35am*) Sheriff Mark Rohloff

Calvin Wickline Emer. Mngt. Director-Tanna McKeon

Aaron Withee Ryan Ellingson-IT

Joe Snow

1. Verified that door is unlocked.

- **2.** Meeting called to order @ 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Richard Thoman. Motion to approve minutes of the previous meeting by Calvin Wickline; 2nd by Sherri Fiduccia; Motion Carried.
- 3. Review Emergency Management updates: Emergency Management Director Tanna McKeon informed the committee on training and exercises that are coming up. Emergency Management Direct McKeon advised that June 28 will be the one-year anniversary of the tornado that hit Green County last year.
- 4. Review EMS updates: Sheriff Rohloff advised that he attended the last EMS meeting and informed the committee that they are invited to the EMS Association Meeting on October 17 that will be held at the Justice Center. Sheriff Rohloff informed the committee that Governor Walker has increased the renewal of EMT licenses from 2 years to 3 years. Sheriff Rohloff advised that the EMS has been trying to recruit new members and they had a tent at the Dairy Breakfast and they will be at the fair. Sheriff Rohloff handed out copies of Fire and EMS service area maps to the committee. Sheriff Rohloff informed the committee that the Monroe EMS service is adding another ambulance to the fleet, so there will be a total of 4.
- **5. Review and discussion on Star Ambulance Service request:** Sheriff Rohloff received a letter from Star Ambulance requesting legal access to the Green County Radio System in the event they need to coordinate services with another agency. Sheriff Rohloff gave the committee a letter of his recommendation after he attended and conferred with the EMS committee on the request from Star ambulance. The committee discussed the differences of public vs private ambulance services and Aaron Withee made a motion to deny access to a radio frequency to Star Ambulance or any private ambulance service based on Sheriff Rohloff's and EMS recommendations and if standards should change to revisit the issue again; 2nd by Sherri Fiduccia. Motion Carried.
- 6. Review and updates on Radio System: Sheriff Rohloff stated that the Radio Ad Hoc met on June 6 and went over the final draft of the radio study that was received from Elert and Association. Sheriff Rohloff shared with the committee the Executive Summary report and indicated that there was a lot of information in the report. Ryan Ellingson highlighted recommendations from the report and basically the current radio system is near end of life and most of the problems with the system started with the FCC narrowband mandate. Sheriff Rohloff updated the committee on the current radio system, the topography of the county,

inadequate equipment and the options that the county is looking at to continue service. Sheriff Rohloff indicated that the Radio Ad Hoc committee approved the Elert and Association final report and concurred on a decision and recommended to move forward with the radio project process for a Request for Proposals with the preferred being option 2, with the county having an analog and digital simulcast system. Sherri Fiduccia made a motion to move forward with the radio project and to continue with the process of sending out Requests for Proposals to vendors to update or replace the radio system and take to the county board; 2nd by Aaron Withee, Motion Carried.

Sheriff Rohloff told the committee that he attended the Village of Albany meeting last Thursday and the Albany water tower is coming down maybe sometime in August. Sheriff Rohloff updated the committee on the tower project and the options that the county is looking at to continue service. Sheriff Rohloff indicated that the department has consent from the Village to erect a permanent tower if that is the route that the county decides to go with. Sheriff Rohloff will keep the committee updated after the issue is researched more.

Sheriff Rohloff advised that the City of Monroe has been approached by a university that will research and do a viability report on the county dispatch centers. This independent study will help the county find solutions to improve service and move forward with looking at advantages/disadvantages of consolidating the current system.

- **7. Training Requests:** Sheriff Rohloff requested to send a deputy to SWAT Commander training in New Berlin, WI, November 5-7, with five overnights and a registration cost of \$685.00. Calvin Wickline made a motion to approve the training; 2nd by Joe Snow. Motion Carried.
- **8. Review Jail Population and jail medical issues**: Sheriff Rohloff discussed the state of the department. The jail housed an average of 37 inmates for May and the Securus system for inmates to use for communicating with family, will be starting up very soon.
- 9. Review and approve Public Safety and Department updates: Sheriff Rohloff advised that he has hired two new deputies, with one being from the Monroe area and the other from Green Bay. Sheriff Rohloff indicated that a detective has retired and a deputy has been transferred to this position.

Sheriff Rohloff updated the committee on the Spillman geobase map proposal upgrade and the monies that were approved last year will be applied to a 5-year agreement with Spillman to assume all responsibilities and they will maintain the system. The equipment will be housed at the Monroe Police Department and they will pay for half of the costs.

- **10. Review and approve Underground Storage Tank updates:** The department was just informed that the current insurance company will no longer insure the underground diesel tank. The department is still gathering information and quotes on moving forward with the project.
- **11. Review monthly Budget:** Each committee member received a copy of the April budget and the department is currently on track.

- **12. Audit bills:** The Department Bills were reviewed and signed. A motion was made by Calvin Wickline and seconded by Aaron Withee to approve the bills. Motion carried.
- **13. Next Meeting:** Next meeting date is on Wednesday, July 11, 2018, at 9:30 a.m. Aaron Withee moved to adjourn and Joe Snow seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m. by Chairman Thoman.

Submitted by Dana Weber